

SPRING APPAREL THALHIMER'S

Exclusive Spring Novelties in Women's Garments.

A thorough search among all the notable designers has brought to this section not only the largest, but the most magnificent representation of exclusive styles ever displayed in any previous season.

New Silk Waists.

Best quality of Jap. Silk Waists, in black and white, fine necks, forming accordion plait, yoke effect, full blouse sleeves and new stock collar, at.....\$4.98

White and Colored Crepe de Chine Waists, shirred in yoke style, with eluzy trimming, shirred sleeves, lace stock and cuffs, at.....\$3.48

Handsome Allover Lace Waists, made over silk, with round yoke, full sleeves, at.....\$12.48

Silk Suits.

Black and Colored Taffeta Shirt-Waist Suits, tucked waist, with fagot trimming, full puff sleeves, gored skirt, with plaited flare, at.....\$15.00

Fine Pin-Striped Taffeta Suits, in black and white and colors, strap shoulders and front, piped, circular flare skirts, cut full, extra quality, style and finish.....\$25.00

Wash Goods and White Goods.

Striped Madras, 82 inches wide, in all colors, a good value at 20c; special, per yard.....12 1/2c

New line of Striped Galatea Cloth, in all colors, 20 inches wide, for, per yard.....15c

A new line of Cotton Crepon just received, in all colors, worth 20c; for, per yard.....16 1/2c

Also one lot of 15c. Crepon; special for, per yard.....12 1/2c

English Long Cloth, 12 yards to piece, 30 inches wide, extra value, piece.....\$1.00

Mercerized Damasks and Madras; also Oxfords, good value at 35c; special, yard.....25c

40-inch Irish Lawn, sheer and fine, from 8 1/2c. per yard and upwards.

One lot of 32-inch Madras, in figures and stripes, good value at 10 1/2c and 20c. special.....12 1/2c

One lot of Mercerized Striped and Check Madras; also Oxfords, good value at 25c; special.....16 1/2c

New Tailor-made Suits.



High Grade Tailor-Made Suits, in gray and blue and tan and blue mixtures, collarless Eton, Eton lined with blue taffeta, deep shoulder capes, lined with blue cloth; deep tucked blue taffeta girdle and sash; skirt new and fitted, flared, trimmed to match jacket, habit back, an Ermine, copy of imported model, at half-price of original. Our price.....\$40.00

The Latest-New Shaped Blouse, full blouse back, deep pointed collar, trimmed with silk braid, full sleeves, blouse finished with deep girdle, taffeta lined, skirt 7-gored flared, trimmed on train and silk braid, pretty for slender figures.....\$30.00

Collarless Blouse Suits, plain broadcloth and fancy mixtures, double shoulder capes, fitted skirts, taffeta trimmed, only.....\$20.00

Misses' Suits, gray and tan, taffeta, collarless blouse, double capes, piped with taffeta, taffeta lined, new flared skirt, at.....\$15.00

Parasol Display On Second Floor.

Our opening display of Parasols is an event for which Thalhimers is famous. This season brings forth the finest collection of Novelties ever shown. The best designers of Paris and London have eclipsed their former efforts for beauty and design, and the results of their labors have been developed by the American Parasol manufacturers to such an extent that you can buy this season a Parasol for \$2.50 to \$5.00 that in past seasons would cost you double. The variety is so extensive that you will hardly find two exactly alike, which gives an air of exclusiveness to the line.

(Second Floor, Facing Elevators.)

New Spring Wraps

Tan Covert Jackets, 10-inch, 24-inch and 30-inch length, lapped and strapped, seams.....\$5.00 to \$20.00

Black Broadcloth Coats, taffeta lined.....\$8.48, \$10.00 and \$12.50

All-Wool Cheviot Jackets, lined throughout.....\$5.00

Silk Etons at \$5.00 and \$7.50, worth double.

Cloth Etons, reduced to \$3.48 and \$5.00, former prices \$5.00 to \$10.00.

Silk Ping-Pong Coats; special price.....\$5.00

Taffeta and Beau de Soie Box Coats.....\$10.00 to \$25.00

Beau de Soie Capes, \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00

Good Silk News.

Just arrived, a beautiful range of coloring in Checked and Striped Silks at.....50, 58 and 75c.

Foulards, in extra values, in black and colored grounds.....50 and 75c.

Black Beau de Soie; three special values at.....58, 65, 75c.

Liberty Satins, in colors and black.....50c.

Beau de Cygnes, in black, colored and changeable, good width.....\$1.00

Japanese Silk, in white, with fine twill.....58c.

Natural Shantung, one of the most stylish silk fabrics.....50 and 75c.

Plain Black Foulard, an especially fine weave.....75c.

Our Children's Reefers.

Children's Reefers, sizes 6 to 14 years, large collars, trimmed with white braid, in royal blue cloth, only.....\$2.48

Peter Thompson Reefers, bright navy chevrot, sleeves trimmed with silk shield, box effect, double-breasted, large brass buttons.....\$3.98

Tan Broadcloth Box Reefers, plain and well tailored, velvet collars.....\$5.00

Children's Taffeta Coats, sizes 8 to 14 years.....\$5.00 to \$10.00



New Skirt Bargains.

Just received another lot of those splendid All-Wool Walking Skirts, black, gray and Oxford melon, 5-gored flare, lapped seams, nicely stitched and trimmed at bottom with straps and cloth buttons; like cut, regular \$6.00 Skirts, at.....\$3.48

Pretty Blatamine Skirts, 7-gored flare, stitched seams, blue and black, trimmed with taffeta bands, dress lengths.....\$5.00

Pedestrian Skirt, in the 16-gored graduated tucked effect, light weight meltons, colors new green, gray and black.....\$6.48

Novelty Pedestrian Skirts, up-to-date style, in taffeta, canvas and plaids, \$7.48, \$8.48 and \$10.00

The latest fad—Accordion Pleated Skirts, in dress and walking lengths.

White Etamine Accordion Pleated Walking Skirts at.....\$10.00

Voile Accordion Pleated Dress Skirts, of taffeta bands and silk fagotting, habit back.....\$30.00

Imported Voile Skirts, peau de sole and taffeta trimmed, all the newest effects, some with taffeta drops, \$10.00 to \$30.00

Taffeta Drop-Skirts, for unlined voile and etamine skirts, full sweep, \$5.00 to \$7.48

Special Basement Bargains

50 French China Covered Dishes, worth \$2.50 and \$3.00 each, to close out at.....\$1.25

French China Tea and Fruit Plates, worth \$3.00 dozen, at this sale, dozen.....\$1.25

Colored Bohemian Glass Lemonade Sets, "Pitcher and 8 Glasses," worth \$1.00, for, set.....48c

30c. Hanging Bracket Lamps, with reflectors, for.....20c

20c. Glass Lamps, complete, for, each.....19c

White Opal Gas Globes.....19c

85c. Ansonia Nickel Alarm Clocks for.....65c

Large White China Chambers.....10c

Long Heavy Wire Meat Forks for.....10c

10c. Glass Fruit Bowls for.....5c

12 rolls or packages of Good Toilet Paper for.....25c

\$15.00 Fine Decorated 100-piece China Dinner Sets for.....\$8.50

\$7.50 Handsome Carlsbad 50-piece Tea Sets for, set.....\$4.48



Thalhimer's Millinery Dep't.

Spring Beauty Here.

Every woman who appreciates distinctive style character in her hat will make an awful mistake not to consult with us. Our styles show an air of positive individuality not seen anywhere but here. We have just reproduced many French and New York models at a great saving. Our skilled trimmers have created many new styles, shown for the first time, in

Handsome Picture and Flare Hats
Especially Gotten Up for Easter.

GLAD FEAST OF EASTER

Queen of Church Festivals Celebrated To-Day.

FLOWERS AND MUSIC

All Will Be Beautiful and Joyous—Many Easter Sermons Will Be Preached from Richmond Pulpits.

To the Christian world the beautiful Easter-tide is of all festivals the queen, bearing each year to the children of that universal church, the center of which stands the Lord Jesus, the glad message of an immortal life.

It is becoming, then, that to-day should be, as it will be, the crowning event in the year's life among those denominations which have set apart Easter as a day commemorative of the resurrection of Christ and all that it means to men. All will be happy and joyous; sweet music will flood the houses of worship, some of which have been hushed and still during the past few days; the bells and the chimes will ring forth again in joyful allusions, and the choicest flowers of a springtime just breaking will make bright and fragrant the churches, where men will gather to glorify the risen Christ. From many pulpits the glad tidings of the day will go forth in sermons, the burden of which will be the spirit of the event.

THE SPIRIT OF EASTER.

The beauty and the power of Easter lie in the great message of an everlasting hope that it carries with it to the heart of all men. "I am the Resurrection and the Life." To this man may turn in his darkest hour and find comfort. It is the supreme truth in all Christianity, and it is the truth that the Easter morn breathes upon the world. Angels and men bow down in reverence on this day, and with glad acclaim voice the refrain, "Christ is risen."

In the celebration of this great and inspiring festival all is beautiful and joyous. The sadness and the solemnity that has characterized the services of the week—Holy Week—during which we commemorated successfully the passion of Christ and His death upon the cross, is no more. All is new peace and happiness; all is now glad alleluia.

No more appropriate means could be secured of embodying the spirit of the Easter-tide than in the two forms—flowers and music. In the churches to-day many of them both of these forms will be employed. Beautiful Easter flowers, coming into bloom under the warm rays of an incoming spring—lilies, hyacinths, crocuses, all lovely and fragrant—will be an altar and rostrum and in the aisles. Of the music too much cannot be said. For weeks past choirs have been training for this occasion, and to-day they will come forth with the joyous Easter music. Many beautiful and attractive programmes have been arranged.

The sermons will all be in keeping with the remainder of the services. But one subject will there be, and that, "Christ is Risen."

CATHOLICS AND EPISCOPALIANS. Among the Catholics and the Episcopalians

lians particularly is Easter ever observed with much particularity.

In all of the Episcopal churches the services will be of a special character. Sermons appropriate to the occasion will be preached, and especially arranged programmes will be rendered by the choirs. Several of the churches will be decorated with flowers. Dr. W. E. Evans will preach twice at St. Andrew's, and at St. Andrew's service at 8 A. M. At St. Andrew's there will be a special sermon in the morning and a confirmation service at night. The offerings in the churches will be for missionary and other important objects.

During the past few days the Catholic churches have been with solemn services observing the passion and death of Christ. To-day the bells, which have been silent will ring again; the organ will again peal forth. The altars will be bright with flowers and lighted candles, and beautiful music will be sung.

At the Cathedral solemn pontifical mass will be celebrated at 11 o'clock by Bishop Van de Vyver. Several priests will be in the sanctuary. Very Rev. Father Bowles, vicar-general, will be assistant to the Bishop; Father John McVerry and Father John, deacons of honor; Father Hannigan and Father Massey, deacons of the mass. The sermon will be preached by Father Hannigan, the eloquent pastor of St. Joseph's. After the mass Bishop Van de Vyver will give the pontifical blessing. The collection taken will be for the education of priests.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS. Among several of the other denominations Easter will be more or less observed. Nearly all the Baptist and the Methodist churches will have special sermons and special music.

At Grove Avenue, Dr. Hawthorne will preach in the morning on "The Moral Effort of Christ's Resurrection."

At the First Baptist Church, Dr. Cooper will preach in the morning on "The Joy of the Resurrection." At night, Manney's cantata, "The Risen Christ," will be sung.

At Leigh Street Baptist, the Rev. M. Ashby Jones will preach in the morning on "The Message of the Empty Tomb." At night an Easter cantata will be sung.

At Clay Street Methodist there will be special Easter sermons and music.

At Centenary, Dr. Lear will preach in the morning on "The Resurrection of Christ as the Basis of Hope."

At Broad Street in the morning, the Rev. W. B. Beauchamp will preach a special Easter sermon.

At Union Station Dr. Hannon will preach in the morning on "A Priori Argument For the Resurrection."

At Seventh Street Christian the Rev. Carey E. Morgan will preach in the morning on "The Resurrection."

At the Memorial Association to the Daughters of the American Revolution will also send a floral piece.

General Fitzhugh Lee, president of the Jefferson Memorial Association, has invited the Memorial Association to take part in the convention of the former in St. Louis during the week of the dedication of the Exposition buildings. The invitation will be acted on at the meeting of the Board of Governors of the Memorial Association, which will be held at the Hotel Barton Monday evening before the dinner.

LETTER BOXES. Despite the absolute secrecy maintained as to the conduct and results of

the investigation into the affairs of the Postoffice Department, it is known that the inspectors making the investigation are about to begin probing into reasons for the change made in the style of letter boxes two or three years ago. Prior to the change the street letter boxes were made of sheet-iron. A bill was passed about three years ago requiring that the boxes be made of cast-iron. At the same time a change was made in the style of satchel used by letter carriers, and the satchels formerly—used were thrown away and new ones substituted. There are between 30,000 and 100,000 letter boxes in the cities and towns of the United States. The cost of a box is about \$3.50. The new boxes and satchels cost the government about \$375,000.

It is understood that a great many letters have recently been received at the Department urging that this matter be investigated, and hinting that certain people in high places had greatly benefited by the change in the boxes. It is well known that a prominent man in Washington suggest a month ago that an investigation of these changes would probably yield interesting results. Nothing said above concerning letter boxes and carriers' satchels has been very broadly hinted at, and some think the investigation is being hushed up. The investigation soon, the rural free delivery system will be found the most productive field the investigators have found. They have done a great deal of work in that field, and have made a partial report. It is found some things which were incorrect, but reported nothing which was very startling, though they may have kept back much. It is not known that a great deal of public pressure is being brought to bear on the Department to probe further into the rural delivery system. If there is not, it will end soon. Nothing will be done in the way of investigating unless a zealous public force thoroughness.

W. E. H. Those Wild Onions. Editor of The Times-Dispatch: "Sir—Referring to some communication in regard to getting rid of the wild onions in the Capital Square grass, I think Colonel Richardson said that he tried having the onions pulled up and it was a failure. It may have been, but my experience was that it is the only way to get rid of them. Our wild onions are found in the grass, made an iron rod three feet long, flattened out at the end. I drove it down as deep as the onions grew, all round the patch of onions until the onions could be pulled up roots and all; then burned the onions to keep them from sprouting again. In two years there was not an onion in the yard, do it in early spring and sow grass seed in the place the onions came out of. If you will get the seed out of the ground, you can soon get rid of the onions. It's tedious, but effective."

JAMES FRANKLIN, Jr. Lynchburg, April 9th.

MADE A MILLION

On an Investment of Twenty-Five Cents.

Large fortunes are oftentimes made from small amounts judiciously invested, but it seldom that an opportunity occurs to make a million dollars from an investment of 25 cents. Good health is far more valuable than money. In 1902 \$750,000 persons used Dr. Burghart's Vegetable Compound. Eighty per cent of whom were restored to health, not one of whom would be willing to return to their former condition for a million in gold. If you are sick, suffering from any disease of the Blood, Liver or Kidneys, Rheumatism, Nervousness or Constipation, this great remedy will cure you, 25 cents. All druggists.

"THE DANVERS JEWELS," Sunday, April 13th.

SUCCESS IN FARMING

Several Notable Instances of Well-Earned Property.

METHODICAL TRUCKING

The Northern Neck Possesses a Number of Men Who are Especially Noted For the Success They Have Made in Spite of Obstacles.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HEATHSVILLE, VA., April 11.—Many of our boys and young men here in the Northern Neck, who have been reared on farms, when they are choosing their life's work often ask the question: Does farming pay? This question has often been asked and often thought of by all classes of people. The only way to find an answer to this all important question is to study and follow the ways of successful and methodical farmers who are doing the kind of work that you would like to do, and use their ideas and methods which are better than yours.

The Northern Neck possesses a number of men who are especially noted for the success they have made, in spite of adverse conditions. Many people call their success luck, but if we examine closely their work we will find that they have a great deal of method in their operations. A short account of the methods of these farmers will probably be of some good to those interested in agriculture.

Those who have been the most successful are not always the ones who own the largest number of acres, but those who cultivate a small area and cultivate the crop timely and thoroughly. For some years past the farmers of the Northern Neck have been considering and discussing the advisability of changing their mode of operations and adopting the "intensive" system, which means the cultivation of a small area of land thoroughly. Many things have happened to make this necessary, chief among these being the scarcity of labor. They also think that the cultivation of a small area will enable the farmer not only to practice such thoroughness as will increase the yield per acre, but will enable him to divide his farm into more fields than heretofore, and thus rest the worn-out soil, grow grass, and raise cattle and sheep more extensively.

Soon after the close of the Civil War Mr. Dungan, then a young man full of strength and vigor began to farm for a living. His only possession being a fine piece of land was poor and only grew "lean grass" and broom straw. He believed that in time with proper treatment he could make it a fertile farm. After a few years of hard work Mr. Dungan was able to buy into more fields than he had before, and at his death, which occurred just a few months ago, he owned one of the most fertile farms in his neighborhood. He made it a business to have to sell each year a number of fat hogs and beef cattle. He believed that in cattle and hogs he found the most profitable market for a goodly portion of the products of his farm. A successful corn grower there were none

to beat him, and but few his equal. He prepared the soil very finely before planting. After the corn came up he cultivated it four times, always careful not to let it lack for want of work, and during the last cultivation he sowed black peas among the corn. A vigorous growth of vines was the result, which benefited both the corn and land. He always raised a crop of clover, and the clover was a great benefit to the soil. His potato crop brought him in a goodly sum every year.

H. C. Rowe, soon after he began life was married and after paying for a license and the preacher he had one barrel of corn left. He hired himself out to buy things to start a large family. When work is slack on the farm he handles cord-wood, lumber and all kinds of timber. He also owns a store in Heathsville. Industry, economy and knowledge of farming may be given as the reasons of his success.

Mr. Joseph Marsh grew up on a farm and got what might be termed a good working knowledge of farming. He planned, worked and saved until he was able to buy a farm of about 200 acres, near Miskimmon, Northumberland county. Mr. Marsh had three farmhands on the place before he bought it, but the pooriness of the place discouraged him. He went to work and it was not long before he was said he did more work than any man in the neighborhood. He gets up long before the sun rises and works steadily until it sinks below the horizon in the west. On rainy, stormy days when he cannot work out in the fields, he does some kind of indoor work. Mr. Marsh is a slender built, wiry energetic man. He has probably made more money farming than any man in the Northern Neck. He has built himself a handsome dwelling, erected new out-houses and at the same time made a good living for his family. He also has many thousands of dollars out drawing interest.

He makes the major part of his money out of hay, corn, potatoes, cattle and hogs. He never believed in hiring any more help than was absolutely necessary, and has arranged his farming operations so he is able to do most of the work himself. He is a great believer in the new ideas in farming, and is constantly on the lookout for machinery that will reduce labor.

Trucking is beyond a doubt the business that brings more money into the Northern Neck especially Northumberland county than anything else. In Lottsburg District there are many who ten years ago were worth a hundred dollars but now they have made enough to buy comfortable homes and are in good easy circumstances.

Mr. Joseph Bryant is probably one of the most successful truckers in this county considering the small area he has had to work on. Since he has been living on the place which is now his, and only contains about 20 acres, he has paid for it, erected a nice dwelling and supported a large family. When he came to the place it was nothing but red clay hills, and he has made it into a large farm in the county. Last year he raised a crop of peas Mr. Bryant planted the same land in corn and harvested 18 barrels of corn to every acre. His only revenue comes from trucking on the few acres.

The large and handsome brick church built here by the Methodist Protestant congregation in 1880 has recently been purchased by Mr. Jones of Cape Charles. It is learned that the purchase price was \$1,000. Mr. Jones expects to make of it a clothing and merchant tailoring establishment.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Northern Neck Agricultural Fair Association, it was decided

that the fair grounds would be rented to the colored people, who will hold a fair some time in October.

An effort is being made to induce German immigration to the Northern Neck. We have more to offer the industrious immigrant than other sections of the country. The land here is fertile and the variety of crops and fruits which can be profitably cultivated is as large as in any section of the country. Our lands are cheaper than lands in the Western and Northern States, where the majority of these immigrants settle. The German is the best of all the foreign labor imported to this country. He is economical and when he makes money he improves his farm and takes great interest in all enterprises that tend to build up his neighborhood.

Mrs. Adams and son Mr. Wm. Adams and Miss Josephine DeShields of Washington are spending some time here.

Mr. L. J. Bramble spent a few days in the "Monumental City" recently.

Mr. John A. Palmer of Kilmarnock, is in Baltimore receiving surgical attention for his eyes.

G. W. Beale who has been spending some time in King George has returned home.

W. H. Hanson of Miskimmon is spending this week in Washington visiting friends.

J. C. Lower of Solomon's Island, Md. is building a blacksmith house at Walnut Point, Northumberland county.

The Town Council has under consideration the erection of a building for a city hall, treasurer's office and other needed offices. The town now owns a lot on Commercial Avenue between Main and Ridgeway Streets, and in case the Council builds, the building will be located there. The erection of this building will fill a long felt want and will greatly improve that section of the town.

The Montgomery Presbytery will convene in the Presbyterian Church here on the 28th instant. Rev. C. W. McDonald, of Iron Gate, the retiring moderator, will preach the opening sermon.

News has reached from that western capitalists are in the vicinity of Covington making investigations looking forward to the prospecting for oil and gas. Many indications point to these minerals existing in several localities in the county, and if reports are true the capitalists have leased several large tracts of land.

The first base-ball game of the season will be played here Monday evening when Clifton Forge and Iron Gate will cross bats.

Miss Julia L. Ryle, of Covington, and Rev. Robert Dabney Carson will be married at the Falling Spring Presbyterian Church on next Wednesday, April 15, 1908, at 5:30 o'clock. They will reside in Deerfield, Va.

Music and Song. Friday evening there was a gathering at the home of Miss Rosa Banister, of No. 418 East Main Street, for a selection of vocal and instrumental music were rendered. The Henry Farm Quartette, of Church Hill, was present. Refreshments were served. Among those present were: Misses Kate, Josephine and Nora O'Hara, Lottie and Lillie Loving, Clio V. George, Mary, Maud and Rosa Banister; Messrs. James Flood, Chris Flood, Mr. Cobb, Hamilton Enos, Crawford, Davis, Cherry, Phillips and Fones.

Mutual Phones in Covington (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) COVINGTON, VA., April 11.—The second meeting of the phone renters and business men of Covington was held in the courthouse to-night at 8 o'clock. The committee appointed to determine the cost of building a phone system made a very satisfactory report and it was generally agreed that a mutual phone company should be formed here. The most important thing done at to-night's meeting was the appointment of a committee to prepare a charter for a mutual company. This committee consists of Messrs. W. B. McAllister, E. F. Robey and C. W. Bush.

Where no change has been made in the plan of taxation will be about \$150,000. There is a statement that will show the result at a glance.

Increase from registration fees.....\$250,000

Increase from franchise tax.....150,000

Increase from fire insurance.....7,000

Increase from realty and personalty.....\$200,000

Decrease telephone.....13,000

Decrease charter fees.....10,000

Totals.....\$372,000 \$422,000

Net increase of revenue, about.....\$150,000

Where no change has been made in the plan of taxation no mention has been made heretofore of